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**REQUEST
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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Submission (s) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2002,
providing for continued examination of an utility or plant application
Filed on or after June 8, 2002.
See The American Invention Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/782,751
Filing Date	February 12, 2001
First Named Inventor	Stein A. Landry
Group Art Unit	2618
Examiner Name	Edan Orgad
Attorney Docket Number	000411

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2002. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2002, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(a) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes in Application Examination and Prosecution Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50262 (Aug. 24, 2000); Invention Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14663 (Mar. 24, 2000), 72 FR 123 (Apr. 11, 2002), which estimated RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 10, 2006.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
- b. ☐ Other

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(c) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 which the RCE is filed.


- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 17-0026
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.117)
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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